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SUBJECT: PL 480 SHIPMENTS

REF: (A) DACCA 1849; (B) DACCA 1826; (C) OTTAWA 2331;
(D) OTTAWA 2457

1. IN ACCORDANCE WITH REF (A), WE WILL ADVISE BDG EMBASSY/
WASHINGTON TO PURCHASE 50,000 TONS UNDER TITLE I FOR JUNE
ARRIVAL AND WE WILL ATTEMPT TO SCHEDULE 57,000 TONS TITLE
II SHIPMENT FOR JULY ARRIVAL. PENDING YOUR SPECIFIC RECOM-
MENDATIONS REGARDING THE BALANCE OF 150,000 TONS, WE WILL
INFORM BDG EMBASSY WASHINGTON NOT TO MAKE ADDITIONAL TITLE
I PURCHASES.

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2. REF (A), AS RECEIVED HERE, DOES NOT REPEAT NOT CONTAIN
EMBASSY'S RECOMMENDATION ON SHIPPING SCHEDULE FOR REMAINING
150,000 MTS TITLE I FOODGRAINS AGREED TO IN PRESENT AGREE-
MENT FOR FY 77 PROGRAM. WE WOULD APPRECIATE CONFIRMATION
THAT EMBASSY WISHES HAVE THIS ARRIVE JULY AND AUGUST.
DACCA PLEASE CONFIRM BY OPENING OF BUSINESS APRIL 11.

3. REFS (C) AND (D) INDICATE CANADIANS DO NOT INTEND TO SHIP ADDITIONAL FOODGRAIN TO BANGLADESH IN NEAR FUTURE. IF FURTHER SHIPMENTS FROM CANADIAN PORTS DELAYED UNTIL

SEPTEMBER-NOVEMBER TIME PERIOD (REF C), THESE WOULD NOT RPT NOT APPEAR TO AFFECT U.S. TITLE I PROGRAM THIS FISCAL YEAR. APPRECIATE OTTAWA'S CONFIRMATION THAT THIS ASSUMPTION REMAINS VALID.

4. REF B POSITS BANGLADESH'S ADDITIONAL FOODGRAIN NEEDS FROM NORTH AMERICA THIS FISCAL YEAR AT 150,000 MTS. IF ASSUMPTION PARA 3 ABOVE CORRECT, AND CANADA WILL NOT RPT NOT MAKE ADDITIONAL SIGNIFICANT SHIPMENTS THIS FISCAL YEAR, EMBASSY DACCA APPEARS TO BE RECOMMENDING SHIPMENTS FROM U.S. UNDER AN AMENDED FY 1977 AGREEMENT OF APPROXIMATELY 150,000 MTS (IN ADDITION TO 200,000 MT IN CURRENT AGREEMENT). IN ORDER FOR SHIPMENTS TO BE INCLUDED IN FY 1977 PROGRAM, THEY SHOULD LEAVE THE US BY MID SEPTEMBER AND WOULD ARRIVE IN BANGLADESH DURING SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER. PLEASE CONFIRM SEPT/OCT ARRIVAL ACCEPTABLE.

5. FOR OTTAWA: AS REFTELS INDICATE, WE ARE CONCERNED THAT BANGLADESH PROPENSITY TO SOLICIT ALL POSSIBLE EXTERNAL FOOD ASSISTANCE COULD RESULT IN OVERSUPPLY AND/OR PORT CONGESTION WITH ATTENDANT INCREASED FINANCIAL COSTS AND FOOD SPOILAGE. THE LATTER ATTRACTED CONSIDERABLE ADVERSE ATTENTION FROM U.S. PRESS AND CONGRESS LAST YEAR. TO AVERT POSSIBLE REPETITION, WE WISH TO COORDINATE FOOD SHIPMENTS AS CLOSELY AS POSSIBLE.
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6. FOR DACCA: PLEASE INCLUDE OTTAWA AS AN ADDRESSEE ON ALL FUTURE TELEGRAMS CONCERNING POSSIBLE CANADIAN GRAIN SHIPMENTS.
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